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Department of Ophthalmology

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Council of Tobacco Research
900 3rd Avenue
New York, NY 10022

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to inquire about possible sources of funding for my research. Currently, I am an Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology at the Duke University Eye Center in Durham, NC. My area of specialty is in the field of retinal disorders. I am currently studying the role of antioxidants and oxidative damage in the pathogenesis of age-related macular degeneration, which is the most common cause of blindness in the U.S. My primary collaborator is Dr. Irwin Fridovich, a biochemist here at Duke who receives funding through your foundation.

Please send me an application for funding if you are interested in my work. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call me at 919-684-3090. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Monica DeLaPaz
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